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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives are pleased to congratulate Neil Wagner on the
4 occasion of his retirement on February 1, 2012, after 40 years
5 of service as a union carpenter; and

6 WHEREAS, Neil Wagner was greatly influenced by his father,
7 Doyle Wagner, who was a 50-year member of Local 640; after
8 graduating from Pope County High School, he followed in his
9 father's footsteps and became an apprentice; to accomplish this
10 goal, he attended apprenticeship classes one night a week for 4
11 years, during which he had perfect attendance; on February 2,
12 1972, he joined Carpenters Local 605 in Golconda, which was
13 affiliated with the Three Rivers District Council of Paducah,
14 Kentucky; and

15 WHEREAS, In 1976, Neil Wagner was hired as a carpenter
16 instructor at the Golconda Job Corps Center, where he passed
17 his knowledge of carpentry onto countless young students; in
18 2005, he left the Center with over 20 years of service and was
19 hired as business agent for Local 640 in Metropolis; and

20 WHEREAS, Neil Wagner has held an elected office in the
21 Carpenters Union for over 35 years; and

1 WHEREAS, Neil Wagner has made major contributions to the
2 local business landscape throughout his career; he has worked
3 on numerous projects, including Interstate 24, Portland
4 Cement, Cook Coal Terminal, Shawnee Prison, and the Smithland
5 Lock and Dam; for the past 6 years, he has represented the
6 southernmost counties in Illinois; and

7 WHEREAS, Neil Wagner plans to spend his retirement on the
8 family farm to work, hunt, fish, and spend time with his
9 grandchildren; therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
11 NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
12 we congratulate Neil Wagner on the occasion of his retirement
13 and wish him many happy and healthy retirement years; and be it
14 further

15 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
16 presented to Neil Wagner as a symbol of our esteem and respect.